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To Philip E. Tahey, Jr., Maine Aeronautics Commission

I have your memo of October 28th, enclosing a letter which you had received from Airavan, Inc., Fort Morgan, Colorado, in which he proposes a new advertising method, consisting of a flight of ten light planes touring the United States, dropping leaflets or Aid-Ads on the towns and cities on the route. He asks you if there are any rules or regulations in Maine regarding this type of operation of plane advertising, and if any permission is needed from the cities and townships.

In reply to your memo I will say that there is no statute, and I do not know of any rule or regulation, which your Commission has promulgated, concerning the dropping of leaflets over cities and towns in this State.

The sovereignty of the State extends into the places above the lands and waters of the State, except where granted to the United States pursuant to a constitutional grant from the legislature of this State. So if your Commission has no rule or regulation in regard to air advertising and there is no provision for the cities and towns to grant permission for this kind of work, there is no objection on the part of the State.

Ralph W. Farris  
Attorney General

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